

WARDEN MESSAGE

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THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES IS TRANSMITTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION THROUGH THE EMBASSY WARDEN SYSTEM AS A PUBLIC SERVICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE PHILIPPINES. PLEASE DISSEMINATE THIS MESSAGE TO ALL U.S. CITIZENS IN YOUR ORGANIZATION OR NEIGHBORHOOD. THANK YOU.

U.S. Embassy Manila is Updating Its American Citizen Registration Database. Please Register Now!

U.S. Embassy Manila is updating its American Citizen registration database. If you haven't registered yet using the State Department's new Internet Based Registration Service (IBRS), we encourage you to do so now! Typhoons, landslides, floods, earthquakes and volcanic eruptions can occur when least expected. In order to assist you in emergency situations the U.S. Embassy needs to know where you are and how to contact you. U.S. Embassy Manila strongly encourages all American citizens living or visiting in the Philippines to register immediately on-line.

Travel registration is a free service provided by the U.S. Government to U.S. citizens who are traveling to, or living in, a foreign country. Registration allows you to record information about your upcoming trip abroad that the Department of State can use to assist you in case of an emergency.

Millions of Americans travel abroad every year and encounter no difficulties. However, U.S. embassies and consulates assist nearly 200,000 Americans each year who are victims of crime, accident, or illness, or whose family and friends need to contact them in an emergency. When an emergency happens, or if natural disaster, terrorism, or civil unrest strikes during your travel, the U.S. embassy can be your source of assistance and information. By registering your trip, you help the embassy locate you when you might need them the most. Registration is voluntary and costs nothing, but it should be a big part of your travel planning and security.

U.S. citizens around the world who travel or reside abroad can access this site either through a link on [TRAVEL.STATE.GOV](https://travel.state.gov) or directly at <https://travelregistration.state.gov>. U.S. citizens and their families residing in the Philippines, whether temporarily or permanently, are invited to register and get acquainted with travel registration.

The new Internet travel registration service for American citizens allows U.S. citizens to register and update their contact information on the Internet at any time, making it easier for them to keep their information current. The site also provides registrants with up-to-date travel information customized to their unique travel agenda and itinerary. The data provided in the registration is secured behind Department of State firewalls, accessed only by cleared personnel in Embassies, Consulates, and the Department of State, and releasable only under the provisions of the Privacy Act.

If you encounter any difficulties or have any questions about our travel registration website, please send an e-mail to CAIbrs@state.gov. If you have specific questions about your registration with this Embassy please contact the U.S. Embassy at ACSInfoManila@state.gov